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SUBJ: URUGUAYAN REACTION TO OAS SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

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REF: A) STATE 154688; B) STATE 142729

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED LIMA MEETING OF OAS SPECIAL COMMITTEE WITH FOREIGN OFFICE FOREIGN POLICY CHIEF BARREIRO, WHOSE VIEWS ON URUGUAY'S REACTION WERE SIMILAR TO THOSE EXPRESSED IN RZNTel A.

2. LOOKING TO SEPTEMBER MEETING IN WASHINGTON, BARREIRO SAID URUGUAY WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY THE SAME TEAM AS IN LIMA, WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF FOREIGN MINISTER BLANCO. IN THE BELIEF THAT SMALL COUNTRIES LACK THE STAFF TO PRODUCE ADEQUATE DOCUMENTATION DURING SUCH MEETINGS, THE FOREIGN OFFICE ALREADY IS PREPARING PAPERS FOR PRESENTATION IN WASHINGTON. THE URUGUAYAN POSITION WILL REMAIN LITTLE CHANGED FROM THAT OF PREVIOUS OAS MEETINGS.

3. BARREIRO WAS SPECIFIC ON ONE MATTER ONLY. WHILE  
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ACKNOWLEDGING THE NEED FOR CHANGES IN THE OAS, URUGUAY,

WHICH WAS AMONG THE DRAFTERS OF THE PREAMBLE TO THE OAS CHARTER, WOULD NOT APPRECIATE CHANGES OF PRINCIPLES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE PREAMBLE SPEAKS OF REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY AND THE GOU WANTS IT LEFT THAT WAY. URUGUAY DOES NOT CONSIDER IDEOLOGICAL PLURALISM AS A PRINCIPLE, BUT RATHER A FACT OF LIFE, AND IT DOES NOT WANT THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMUNITY TO CHANGE ITS PRINCIPALES.

4. COMMENT: THE GOU OBVIOUSLY REALIZES ITS STAFFING LIMITATIONS AND IS TRYING TO OVERCOME THEM WITH PRIOR PREPARATION. ALTHOUGH SEEMINGLY TAKING RIGID LINE ON THE PRINCIPLES IN THE PREAMBLE, BARREIRO MADE IT CLEAR THAT URUGUAY'S VOICE WOULD BE ONE OF MODERATION AND ONE THAT WOULD PARALLEL OURS IN THE QUEST FOR A NEW STRUCTURE WHICH WOULD LOOK TO COOPERATION AND NOT SIMPLY TO CONFLICT IN THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM.  
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